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Group Art Unit: 1648

Examiner: Jeffrey S. PARKIN

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In re Application of:

Marc ALIZON et al.

Serial No.: 08/466,921

Filed: June 6, 1995

METHOD OF PRODUCING ANTIBODIES TO ANTIGENS OF HUMAN

IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS TYPE 1 (HIV-1)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

For:

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

In response to the Examiner's Answer dated September 13, 2000, Applicants submit the following:

- 1. Reply Brief (in triplicate);
- 2. Request for Oral Hearing; and
- 3. \$270 Check for Required Fee Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(d).

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

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For: HIV-1 DNA FRAGMENTS THAT HYBRIDIZE

TO GENOMIC HIV-1 DNA (As Amended)

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REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.194(b), Appellant requests an oral hearing. This request is timely since it is made within two months after the September 13, 2000, Examiner's Answer.

A check for the required fee of \$270 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(d) is enclosed.

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